either m annaal pension or above the rate ot a cop\hold, \\hat father will be so improvident to bring his son up at great charge
Concludeth that this buying and selling is indeed the sin of simony, an heresy intolerable, and one that \|*JL* cause the Universities to be decayed, the Church supplied with ignorant pastors, hospitality removed from the clergy and tne sign and forerunner of some evil to ensue to the Commons ealth

8^ *December* A BOY POSSESSED vr NOTTINGHAM

Some weekb since a boy called William Sommera of Nottingham began to be strangely tormented in body and gave great tokens that he was possessed by a wicked spirit, whereupon the Mayor and some of the Aldermen of Nottingham sent instantly for Mr Darrell (who by prayer and fasting hath already restored eight or nine persons that have been vexed in hie sort) At first Mr Darrell was unwilling to come, but by their importunate letters and messengers at length he condescended to their desires, and came to Nottingham on the 5th November The yth was appointed for the exercise of prayer and fasting to the end that Sommers might be dispossessed , which at the praters of Mr Darrell and others to the number of a hundred and fifty is brought to pass Hereupon Mr Darrell is retained as preacher in Nottingham

Sommers being dispossessed discovered certain witches, one whereof was called Doll Freeman, allied to one Freeman an Alderman of Nottingham This Freeman offended that his kinswoman should be called in question threatened Sommers that he was himself a witch, and caused him to be committed to prison, where the Devil appeared unto him in the likeness

of a mouse, threatening that if he would not let him re-enter and would not say that all he had done concerning his torment-ing during his possession was but counterfeit, then he should be hanged , but if he would yield, the Devil would save him

Thus a new stipulation being made between them, the Devil entered, and afterwards Sommers constantly declared that all which he had done before was only counterfeit A general opinion being now conceived that Sommers hath counterfeited all his former proceeding, Mr Darrell preacheth very bitterly against that conceit, persuading his auditory that